

9 FAM Appendix C, TUNISIA

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RECIPROCITY

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Class	Fee	No. Applications	Validity
A-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
A-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
A-3 [1]	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
B-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
B-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
B-1/B-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
C-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
C-1/D	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
C-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
C-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
D	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
E-1 [2]	NO TREATY	N/A	N/A
E-2 [2]	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
F-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
F-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
G-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
G-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
G-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
G-4	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
G-5 [1]	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
H-1B	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
H-1C	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
H-2A	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
H-2B	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
H-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
H-4	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
I	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
J-1 [4]	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
J-2 [4]	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
K-1	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
K-2	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
K-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
K-4	NONE	MULTIPLE	24 MONTHS
L-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
L-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
M-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
M-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
N-8	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
N-9	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
NATO 1-7	N/A	N/A	N/A
O-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]

O-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
O-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
P-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
P-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
P-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
P-4	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS [3]
Q-1 [6]	NONE	MULTIPLE	15 MONTHS [3]
R-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
R-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	60 MONTHS
S-5 [7]	NONE	ONE	1 MONTH
S-6 [7]	NONE	ONE	1 MONTH
S-7 [7]	NONE	ONE	1 MONTH
T-1 [9]	N/A	N/A	N/A
T-2	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
T-3	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
T-4	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
TD [5]	N/A	N/A	N/A
V-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
V-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS [8]
V-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS [8]

SPECIAL CLEARANCE AND ISSUANCE PROCEDURES

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None.

DOCUMENTS AND RECORDS

Police and Prison Record

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Available. An extract from the Judicial records (Extrait du Casier Judiciaire), a combined police and prison record is available to: (1) Nationals of Tunisia; (2) Foreigners born in Tunisia; and (3) Foreigners presently residing in Tunisia. These documents are issued by the Direction de la Surete Nationale, Service d'identification, Tunis. An application must be filed by the interested party either directly to the above named issuing service or to the Tunisian Embassy or Consulate abroad having jurisdiction over the place of residence of the applicant. In support of such a request, the applicant must present an identity document such as a birth certificate, identity card, passport, etc. The Tunisian authorities do not issue police records to former foreign residents, unless they were born in Tunisia. In the case of a former foreign resident not born in Tunisia, the Tunisian authorities transmit any criminal record or other derogatory information to authorities with jurisdiction over the foreigner's birthplace.

Military Record

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Available. The Bitaket Sirah is merely a discharge certificate issued to anyone who performed military service. It does not include a conviction before a court-martial. Crimes committed while performing military service will appear in the ordinary police records. Applications for Tunisian military discharge certificates should be addressed to the Ministere de la Defense Nationale (Tunisian Ministry for Defense), Tunis.

Birth Certificate

(TL:VISA-176; 02-06-1998)

Available only when the birth was reported and recorded. Compulsory registration of births of Tunisian Moslems and Tunisian Jews began on December 30, 1908. This measure was extended on August 1, 1957, to all births, regardless of faith, nationality or race. Birth certificates (Extrait de Naissance) are obtainable from the Office of the Registrar (Bureau de l'Etat Civil) where the birth occurred.

Persons of European descent born in Tunisia before August 1, 1957, whose births were not recorded with the appropriate Office of the Registrar, may have their births recorded in their respective Consulates in Tunis. The French Consulate in Tunis appears to have records of all French citizens as of January 1, 1920. The Italian Consulate in Tunis maintains records of births from 1873, provided the birth was reported.

The Prelature of Tunis maintains records of all persons of the Catholic faith baptized in Tunisia. Such records, when visaed by the respective Consulate, are considered legal birth certificates.

Marriage Certificate

(TL:VISA-176; 02-06-1998)

Available for all marriages celebrated in Tunisia on or after August 1, 1957, regardless of the race, religion, or nationality of the contracting parties. They are obtainable from the Office of the Registrar (Bureau de l'Etat-Civil) where the marriage was performed.

Marriages which took place prior to August 1, 1957. - With regard to Tunisian Moslems or Tunisian Jews: If the marriage was celebrated before the magistrate in charge of the Office of the Registrar, application should be made to the office (Bureau de l'Etat-Civil) where the marriage took place. If the marriage was celebrated by a Cadi or a Rabbi or before two Moslem or Rabbinical notaries, the parties may apply for their marriage certificate or notarial act to the Tribunal of First Instance of the place where the marriage took place.

With regard to persons of European descent: If their marriage was celebrated before the magistrate in charge of the Office of the Registrar, application should be made to the office (Bureau de l'Etat-Civil) where their marriage took place. If the marriage was celebrated by a Consul, the parties should apply to the respective Consulate or Embassy for the marriage certificate. If the marriage was celebrated by the Controleur Civil, the marriage record may be obtained from the French Consulate General in Tunis.

The Prelature of Tunis maintains records of all Catholic marriages celebrated in Tunisia.

Divorce Certificate

(TL:VISA-176; 02-06-1998)

Available. All persons divorced in Tunisia, whether of Moslem or Jewish faith or of European descent, may apply to the Office of the Registrar (Bureau de l'Etat-Civil) where the divorce was rendered.

Death Certificate

(TL:VISA-176; 02-06-1998)

Available. Request for Death Certificate should be addressed to the Office of the Registrar (Bureau de l'Etat-Civil) where the death occurred.

Adoption Certificate

(TL:VISA-1135; 02-26-1993)

The Tunisian Government no longer grants permission to foreign nationals to adopt Tunisian children.

Passports: Information On Travel Documents

(TL:VISA-176; 02-06-1998)

The Government of Tunisia considers as valid, only those Tunisian passports issued on or after July 26, 1985.

VISA ISSUING POST

(TL:VISA-1135; 02-26-1993)

Tunis (E) All categories

GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVICED

(TL:VISA-1135; 02-26-1993)

All of Tunisia.